# Absentee Voting Eligibility

**An individual is eligible to vote absentee if they meet ANY ONE of the criteria listed below:**

- Expect to be absent from the county on election day.
- Is ill or has a physical disability that prevents a trip to the polling place.
- Is a registered Alabama voter living outside the county, such as a member of the armed forces, a voter employed outside the United States, a college student, or a spouse or child of such a person.
- Is an appointed Election Officer or Poll Watcher at a polling place other than his or her regular polling place.
- Expects to work a required shift, 10-hours or more, that coincides with polling hours.
- Is a caregiver for a family member to the second degree of kinship (parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild) and the family member is confined to his or her home.
- Is currently incarcerated in prison or jail and has not been convicted of a felony involving **Moral Turpitude.**

**EMERGENCY ABSENTEE VOTING** applications can be made after the absentee deadline but no later than 5 PM on the day before the election, if the voter:

- Is required by an employer under unforeseen circumstances to be unavailable at the polls on the day of the election
- Is a caregiver of a person who requires emergency treatment by licensed physician within five days before an election
- Has a family member to the second degree of kinship by affinity or consanguinity die within five days before an election

**MEDICAL EMERGENCY ABSENTEE VOTING** applications can be made by a voter who has a medical emergency requiring treatment from a licensed physician within 5 days of an election.  During that 5-day period, the medical emergency absentee ballot application and the voted absentee ballot must be returned no later than noon on the day the election is held. The medical emergency absentee ballot application requires that the attending physician describe and certify the circumstances as constituting an emergency.  The voter may designate someone to turn in the medical emergency absentee ballot application, receive the absentee ballot on behalf of the voter, and return the voted absentee ballot to the Absentee Election Manager on behalf of the voter.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL THE ABSENTEE ELECTIONS OFFICE AT 205-325-5313**